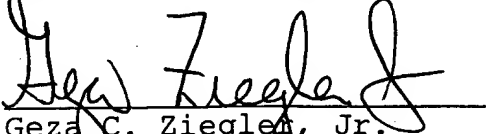


### III. REMARKS

In response to the restriction requirement, Applicant elects the claims of group II, namely 15-22, and has cancelled, without prejudice the claims relating to the non-elected Group I, namely 1-14 and 23-26. Claims 15-22 remain in this application for consideration.

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